## COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

## **FISCAL NOTE**

<u>L.R. NO.</u>: 4236-03

BILL NO.: HCS for HB1811

**SUBJECT**: Agriculture: Farmland Preservation

TYPE: Original

<u>DATE</u>: March 10, 2000

# **FISCAL SUMMARY**

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS							
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003				
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0				

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS							
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003				
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0				

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS							
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003				
<b>Local Government</b>	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)				

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

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#### FISCAL ANALYSIS

## **ASSUMPTION**

Officials of the **State Tax Commission** assume no fiscal impact to the State Tax Commission.

**Department of Natural Resources** officials assume this proposal does not affect the department's authority, therefore, there would be no fiscal impact.

**Department of Conservation** officials assume no fiscal impact.

Officials of the **Department of Economic Development** assume no fiscal impact.

Officials of the **Department of Agriculture** assume no fiscal impact.

The **Holt County Commission** assumes that this proposal would decrease revenue to water districts and would have fiscal impact. Officials did not estimate the amount of fiscal impact. This would have no fiscal impact to Holt County.

Officials of the **Highland Water District #2** assume no fiscal impact from this proposal.

Oversight assumes this proposal changes general law regarding public utilities and lands that are located in un-platted areas and used for agriculture or residential purposes or both. Oversight assumes that public utility companies and local governments will have a delay in recovering costs of running utilities into affected areas. Oversight assumes that local governments will have to consider not being able to recover costs of expanding services when crossing vacant farmlands. With exception to Public Water Supply Districts, Oversight assumes the act of expanding services into agricultural areas to be discretionary. Oversight assumes the costs of abeyance of costs to be (unknown).

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2001 (10 Mo.)	FY 2002	FY 2003
	\$0	\$0	\$0
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2001 (10 Mo.)	FY 2002	FY 2003
Costs to Local Government Abeyance of cost of utility services	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)

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## FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

Small businesses which are family farms would be affected by this proposal.

#### **DESCRIPTION**

This proposal is to be known as the Farmland Protection Act.

The purpose of the Farmland Protection Act is to protect agricultural, horticultural, and forestry land; promote continued economic viability; promote quality of life; and protect farmlands which are properly managed from negative impacts.

This proposal protects rural land owners of more than 10 acres from connection fees and assessments for water and sewer services until such time as improvements on their land would be connected for service. This proposal sets forth procedures that would be followed, including the charges required of the land owner once service is desired. Rural land of more than 10 acres cannot be taken by eminent domain unless approved by the County Commission, and by a majority of the total number of members of the Soil and Water Conservation Board.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

#### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Agriculture
Department of Economic Development
Department of Conservation
Department of Natural Resources
Missouri State Tax Commission
Holt County Commission
Highland Water District #2

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## **NOT RESPONDING:**

The County Commissions of: Atchison, Daviess, Linn, Chariton, Marion, Lewis, Pike, Ste. Genevieve, Mississippi, St. Charles, and St. Louis Counties, and the Assessors of: Callaway, Boone, St. Charles, Saline, Atchison, Mississippi, Franklin, Marion, Shannon, and Pulaski Counties.

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Director

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